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RISKIN'S WRIST SLAPPED

By George W. Mantor

Executive concerns about certain actions of the Students' Union president led last night to a motion in council by vice-president academic Patrick Delaney and engineering rep Howie Christensen, which would give better direction to the council executive and clarify areas of responsibility.

The motion, in four parts, read as follows

1. All press releases must have the approval of a majority of the council executive;
2. All policy statements must have prior approval of council;
3. All purchase orders must be approved by a majority of the executive and must have the approval of the vice president of finance and administration,
4. Any action taken in an area delegated to another member of the executive must have approval of the executive member involved.

In response, Gerald Riskin, SU president and primary target of the motion, stated that he agreed in principle but that there was at least one area that would be in direct conflict with the constitution's by-laws.

Later in the discussion which followed, Riskin said of the motion, "I think it will help the executive."

Other members of council discussed the motion in a flip way and Saffron Shandro read a seven-page speech which he had prepared in advance. Whether he favoured the motion or opposed it was not clear.

The most eloquent directive of the discussion came from Delaney. "I am concerned with the light-hearted way in which this motion is being taken," he said. "I did not intend for it to be adopted in principle."

"I am sick and tired of finding out things after the fact and then having to answer to those who elected me," he continued. "I consider this to be the most serious issue I have looked at since I was elected. I am concerned for the total image we project and I feel that right now that image isn't very good."

"I brought this motion to council because I am seriously concerned about these matters," he concluded.

Susan Bennett, nursing rep, supported Delaney. "As councillors, we must recognize our responsibility and take this motion seriously," she warned. "If we continue to laugh, I am certain that we will be the target of the students' laughter. I am certain there are some who are already laughing."

Howie Christensen, seconder of the motion, commented "most students certainly are not getting anything for their \$31 SU fees. In fact, 95% of them could get exactly what they get here for a nickel downtown."

Dent rep John Krell felt that "more than a mild rebuff is needed for the irresponsible actions of the president."



SU president Gerry Riskin and council speaker Stephen Snyder at Monday night's council meeting.

"Our credibility is certainly being strained. How can we ask for a \$3 students' union fee increase when unnecessary spending is now a matter of record?" he wondered.

In a roll call vote, Riskin himself voted in favour of the motion; it carried unanimously.

A second motion by Beth Kuhnke, vice president services, asked that by-law changes to accommodate the previous motion be made as soon as possible. Delaney said that he wanted this done by the next council meeting. The motion also carried.

In a closed executive meeting which preceded the council meeting,

one member of the executive was reported to have asked for Riskin's resignation. Riskin declined and the four-point motion resulted.

Interviewed after the meeting, Gary West, vice president, finance and administration, voiced his satisfaction at the outcome of the meeting. "We have accomplished what we intended. Perhaps this is the beginning of a pattern of council involvement and direction toward the executive," he commented. "To my knowledge, no one in the past has ever made a proposal in council to parallel this one."

UAB probe ordered

University president Max Wyman has been instructed by the GFC executive to investigate actions taken by the University Athletic Board.

The executive Monday called for the investigation of a letter sent to it by Harold Cliff, chairman of the UAB, which questioned the validity of the identity card distributed by the Graduate Student Association to its members.

Cliff's suggestion that cards had been given to non-students was termed a "spurious insinuation", by GSA president Mahomed Ali Adam in a letter of response to the UAB chairman's allegations.

While the executive refused to become involved in the long simmering dispute between the students' union and the grad student association, it felt that responsibility for the erroneous information contained in Cliff's letter should be ascertained.

John Milligan, assistant athletic director, who represented the UAB at the meeting, explained that the letter from Cliff had been requested by SU president Gerry Riskin, who sits as a member of the board.

David MacMurray, graduate student representative on the executive,

charged that the UAB had attempted to deceive the executive.

He also asked why the GSA had not been informed of the UAB's concern, and why they had not been sent a copy of the letter to the executive, though Riskin had been sent such a copy.

The UAB "acting on a suggestion of Riskin that GSA cards had been freely distributed," Milligan said. The only concern of the UAB, he assured the executive, was that part-time students who had not paid the \$8 UAB fee be clearly identified by the cards.

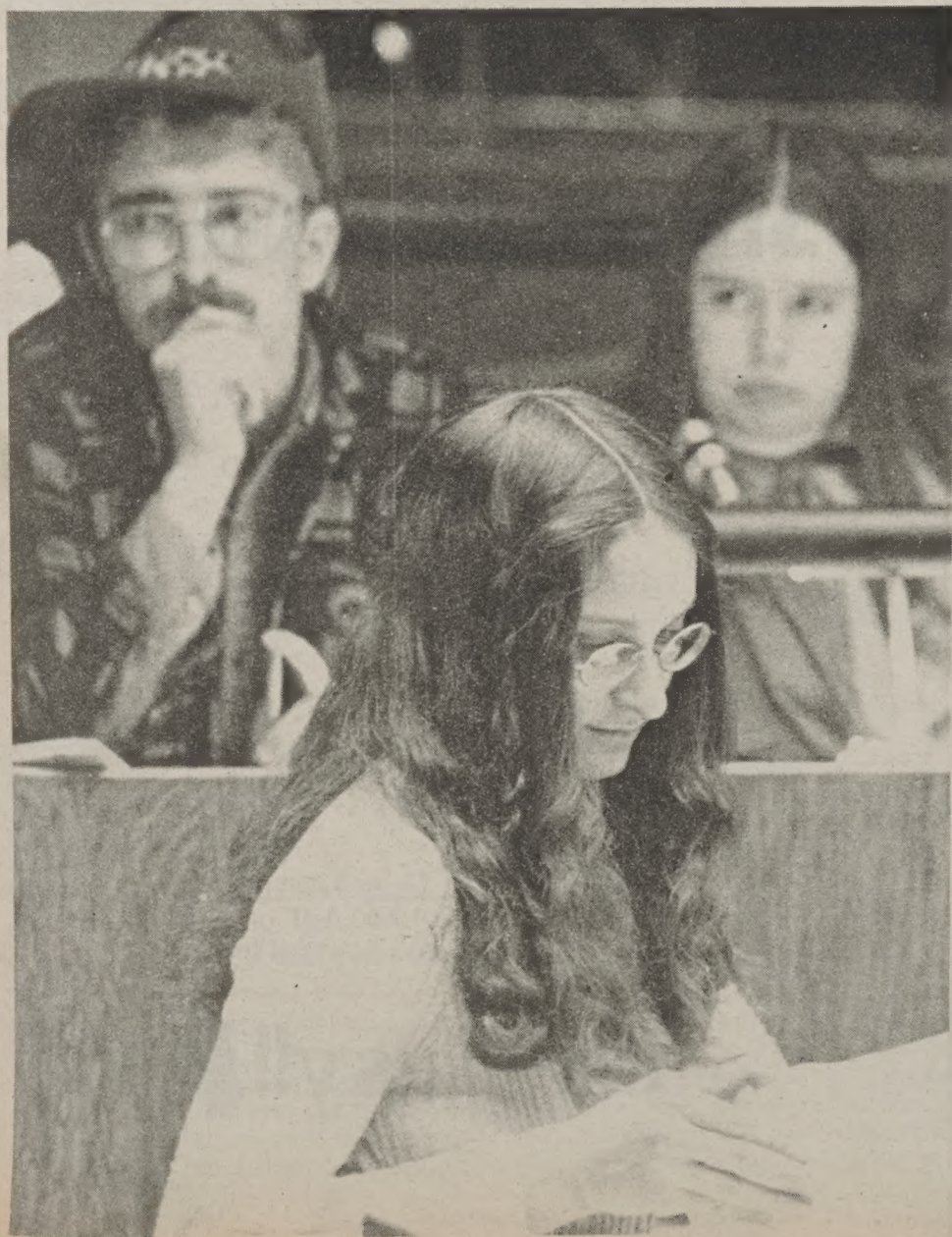
An earlier proposal by Grant Davy of the department of political science, that the executive simply send the letter back to the board as not being within the GFC's jurisdiction, was rejected, by a two vote margin.

The president is to report his findings to the executive as soon as possible.

Acting on an earlier protest from SU vice-president academic Patrick Delaney, the executive decided to give student representatives on the GFC the right to register during the first hour of the first day of registration.

The executives of the SU and the GSA were given permission to register on the Friday before registration week.

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VP services Beth Kuhnke (front) consults notes as arts reps Mark Priegart and Chris Bearchell follow council discussion.

SUB facilities promised

The use of University facilities during the Commonwealth Games will be discussed at the Board of Governor's meeting next Friday morning.

In Edmonton's successful bid for the 1978 Commonwealth Games, Mayor Dent and his committee promised that SUB facilities at the University of Alberta would be made available to the game participants; however, Mayor Dent apparently acted on his own initiative in giving this promise, without prior permission from University officials.

Gerry Riskin, when contacted concerning this matter, said that he was happy that we would seem to be involved in the games, but to his knowledge no prior approval had been given by Student Council to the city for the use of SUB facilities during the Games. This was substantiated by the office of Mr. Hal Pawson, Public Relations man for the

city. A meeting is set for early October between the city and University officials.

Riskin has prepared a motion to be forwarded to the Board of Governors in order to arrive at a policy with respect to the matter. He feels that this will be a safeguard to the students who, after all, do have primary access to SUB facilities. His concern appears to be that students should not suffer as a result of their and the city's generosity. Presumably, any policy set down by the Board of Governors would form guidelines concerning the extent and duration of any use of the facilities by Games people.

The Board will also discuss a G.S.A. proposal on salary negotiations for grad students, amendments to the Universities Act, the campus security force and graduate students' ID cards. All these later discussions will be closed to the public and the press.

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Kashtan campaign in the pink



“I think there is a change of attitude in regard to our party by Canadians. More Canadians want our views to be known so they can judge for themselves.” This is the opinion of Bill Kashtan, national leader of the Communist Party of Canada. Kashtan feels that his party is finally making breakthroughs among Canadian youths, and he says that the party is changing from one dominated by older people into one in which young people play a major part.

press reaction

I had a lengthy interview with Kashtan Saturday afternoon, during a campaign visit he made to Edmonton. We began by discussing the party’s campaign. There are 31 Communist candidates in this election, and he wishes that there were more. “The press seems to ignore us because they don’t think we have enough candidates to make coverage worthwhile,” he pointed out. I asked him what kind of people are working for Communist candidates. He said they are mostly young people, non-party members.

Since Canadians seem to be leery of the party’s alleged ties to the Soviet Union, I asked him what ties existed. He replied, “We have no affiliation with the Soviet Union or any other country. And in any case, our independence a party is not dependent on who we support but on our opposition to capitalism.”

32 hour work week

We moved on to the issue which the Communist Party feels is the most important in the election, jobs. The party platform states that their goal is to create 2½ million new jobs in the next ten years. I questioned him on the methods he would use to obtain this goal. “In the short run, we would create a 32 hour work week with no reduction in pay. We also advocate an increase in pensions so

that people could retire in dignity and open jobs for younger people.” “What about long term job increases? Kashtan sees development of the North as a major source of employment. “With respect to northern development, the production and installation of a pipeline would result

resource allocation

in thousands of jobs.” But he feels that the oil and gas carried in such a pipeline should be Canadian owned. “If you have a publicly owned pipeline but the oil and gas is owned by the U.S., what the hell does it mean? All this talk of sharing resources is a subterfuge for taking over our economy. Instead of selling our resources as they are we should be processing them here. If there is a surplus, sell some of it, but make sure our own needs are satisfied.”

Quebec’s rights

I asked him what his party’s stand on the Quebec independence movement is. “Our stand is that they have a right to national self-determination up to and including the right to self-government. But we don’t advocate separation. The enemy of the French-speaking worker is not the English-speaking worker but monopoly, Canadian or U.S., therefore the two groups should be united as a class.” Hashtan further stated that Prime Minister Trudeau’s approach to the problem was “simplistic and not solving anything, as can be seen by the emergence of Levesque and the P.Q.”

Kashtan told me that the Communist Party is having a problem with another communist group during the campaign, a Maoist party which he says harasses his group by using a similar name (Communist Party of Canada, Marxist-Leninist), running candidates in the same ridings. and performing other confusing actions. Kashtan’s party has two candidates in Edmonton, Liz Rowley in Edmonton-Strathcona and Bill Tuomi in Edmonton-East.

coffee leather and God

by Gail Shute

In April of this year, three leather crafters left the flea market in SUB; a coffeehouse left the basement of a church at 10802-93 St.; and Elisha House was born, all with a little help from some friends of Christ.

Elisha Leather and Coffeeshouse was founded by the Edmonton Jesus People and Peoples’ Pentecostal Church. The main reasons for the opening of such a place in Edmonton were two. Firstly, a summer outlet for leather goods was needed by the leather crafters and secondly, a better place was needed for the coffeeshop-where more of Jesus’ people could do more things together.

The name Elisha House also has a spiritual beginning. In the Bible, Elisha is the spiritual descendent of Elijah and a similar situation applies to Elisha House. In Vancouver the JP had a leather shop called Elijah House and when they moved to Edmonton and started the sequel of that shop the name Elisha seemed to be natural.

Publicly , Elisha House can be termed a success. The main purpose of the store is to tell people about Jesus, but not unless the people are willing to listen. The staff have learned from experience that (to put it in their own words) “You can’t push people into the Kingdom of God. They have to decide that they want the promises of God and that they are willing to pay the price for them.”

Now, when someone walks into the shop, Jesus isn’t mentioned until the customer brings it up or the staff feel he (the customer) has a real problem that should be talked about. Even then the conversation is still kept very general.

Most of the people go to Elisha House for one of three reasons. They want some leather goods, they are just curious or they want to talk about Jesus. Whatever the reason, the shop is open for visitors to drop in between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, as well as 9 p.m. to midnight on Fridays.

There is one popular misconception that the movement is eager to clear up. Jesus People are not just young people, they are the people who have accepted God as their personal saviour, regardless of their age. That is one of the few things missing from this movement, a generation gap.

The names “Jesus Freaks” and “Jesus People” are also misconceptions, they say. These names were used by the press because the movement had not yet named itself. The names have stuck and these “fanatics” have grown in numbers and are now recognized as a seperate religious entity.

This faith has become so popular that the Peoples’ Church has just started a Charismatic Club on campus. Those interested may call Victor at 488-9490 for more information.

Although this organization wants to remove the formality of the old church, they encourage people to go to church, if not to Peoples’ then to the church of their choice. Even so, the pastors are getting static from parents who don’t understand why their children have turned from their (the parents’) faith to that of the Jesus People. Here is how one of those “kids” explains it:

“When I was 14 I had no practical reason or use for the structured church so I left. I wanted to do my own thing so I turned my back on God.

I started doing drugs when I was 17 and went through a series of things looking for “The truth of Life.” Eastern religions psycho-cybernetics, meditation, astrology and numerology left no impression on me so I went to Europe for 3 months. I came back to University and started selling leather goods at SUB. I got to know the competition that moved in from Vancouver and they confronted me with Jesus as a living person and a savior. My belief for God was rekindled and I saw that 8 years of my life was wasted. The change in my life in just 6 months was unbelievable and I wouldn’t trade one day of my life now for those 8 years. The price I paid for my purpose, satisfaction and peace are nothing compared to what He paid me as an individual and I don’t want to go back. Through Jesus I overcame the stumbling blocks of life.”



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letters



screwed

I hate to be pessimistic, but I came across something in the Sept. 28 edition of the Gateway that worries me. It was the article concerning the de-activation of Activity Day. Now, I don't personally know either Gerry Riskin or Beth Kuhnke so, like Miss Kuhnke, I don't want to throw around slander just for the hell of it. After all, I'm sure that Mr. Riskin is almost as human as the rest of us. However, the article would indicate that our president not only figuratively screwed Miss Kuhnke but also the rest of us. What happened, if I may be presumptuous enough to trust the Gateway, is that Mr. Riskin did not consult Miss Kuhnke, who is responsible for arranging special events, in organizing some special events. As a result, the politicians whom Miss Kuhnke had invited to Activity Day, changed their minds when offered other dates by Mr. Riskin.

As I write this letter, I do not know whether Miss Kuhnke managed to salvage anything from her undone plans or not. In my mind this is irrelevant anyway. What bothers me is this: How can our council keep up proper communication channels with the student body as a whole when they do not even know what their fellow council

members are doing? Surely Mr. Riskin knew that Miss Kuhnke was in charge of special activities. Surely he also knew that she would have at least a passing interest in his dabblings in organizing some special events and disorganizing others. And if he did not know that these people had already been invited to Activity Day, why didn't he? Don't council members have a chance to see each other, or are they not on speaking terms?

Forgive me if I'm overdramatizing the situation. Maybe this is the only time our council members lost sight of each other. Hopefully, one-manning it is not the regular procedure. But then, what's this in another issue of Gateway? "Student Union President Gerald A. Riskin...announce(s) a special agreement to bring students exclusive discounts..." Well, thanks very much, Gerry. We're glad one member of council is working, even if you have to carry the load yourself. By the way, did you know about this deal, Miss Kuhnke?

Bill Schloegal
Arts

secret

Whatever may appear in the University Calendar under Regulation 16.8.4, students may be reassured about the confidentiality of their medical records. In no case may confidential medical information be released to any third person, be it a member of the faculty or administration, future employer, lawyer or insurance company, without the student first being asked to sign a "release form".

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the registrar's office, where a signature is required to prevent academic information being released.

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Michael J. Ball,
Director
University Health Service,

rewards

Last Tuesday 19 the Gateway issued the following statement by Dr. D. Dunton, retiring president of Carleton University: "There are signs that a higher proportion of those students entering university are coming for the right reasons. Some of those whose prime motive is a quick job are going elsewhere." Indeed, the right attitude to University learnings should be the personal improvement of the individual for the sole purpose of learning but we must not forget that these learning institutions are costing the taxpayer many millions of dollars. Perhaps Dr. Dunton would suggest that since the student is not to expect a financial reward for his or her effort, the teaching and administrative staff should not expect a financial reward for their duties.

Silvia Budde
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mental health or social control?

The following is reprinted from the University of Lethbridge newspaper, The Meliorist, which has launched a protest movement against Bill 83, the Mental Health Act. The bill is scheduled for third reading at the fall session of the Legislative Assembly.

by G. E. Evans
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" 'Mental disorder' means lack of reason or lack of control of behaviour." (MHA:1)

This is the definition of mental illness proposed by an Alberta Act that is intended to "...safeguard the rights of the individual, society and those working in the field of mental health. . ." (MHA:1). A careful reading of this Act would suggest, however, that social control is its primary purpose, rather than the ostensible implementation of the Blair Report and improvement of mental health care services.

But what ARE the criteria that will indicate "lack of reason or lack of control of behaviour"? The Act obviously assumes that some valid and reliable criteria exist in order to label people as "mentally disordered"—with all the attendant consequences, the stigma of the label "mental illness" carries with it.

In this regard the Blair Report, among others, states that:

Numerous studies can be quoted which reach one conclusion, that the clinical judgment of the psychiatrist, psychologist, or both, regardless of experience, is unreliable and achieves a validity of slightly more than chance. It is also clear that the diagnostician is frustrated in his task by labels, which lack common meaning and usefulness, testing instruments which are seriously inadequate, and research evidence which is rendered undependable by the continued neglect of experimental controls. (Blair Report: 293)

This is not particularly encouraging conclusion, especially considering the breadth of behaviour the Act's definition of mental illness could cover. Nor is it particularly encouraging that throughout the Act the "opinion of" the therapist or Peace Officer is sufficient for the label to be applied and a "conveyance and examination certificate" issued detaining the person for a minimum of 12 hours in some "facility."

The Act also distinguishes between informal and formal patients. The latter is defined as "...a person admitted to and detained in a facility pursuant to admission certificates or detained in a facility pursuant to renewal certificates." (MHA:1) (Notice that once the first 12 hour detention period has passed, a second set of admission certificates may be issued detaining a person for a period of one month.)

An informal patient may discharge himself from a facility or admit himself "...to a facility as an informal patient in accordance with the rules of the facility." (MHA:5) What the rules are is not made clear. It is evident however, that, while an informal patient has the right to discharge himself, it is a right that can be superceded by two therapists who are "...of the opinion that the informal patient

(a) is suffering from mental disorder,

(b) is in a condition presenting a danger to himself or others, and

(c) is unsuitable for continuation of the facility as an informal patient." (MHA:5)

It should be pointed out that the issuance of a conveyance and admission certificate appears to function as the vehicle for defining and labelling a person as mentally ill and/or a danger to himself or others. It certainly provides the authority for such a labelling process (see sections 13, 14, 15, 16).

Such a certificate is issued under the circumstances discussed above— (Notice that it is not clear just what "in the opinion" of therapists

is regarded as mental disorder, nor what conditions or behaviours are considered dangerous to the person or to others, not if this latter condition is mental illness. It would appear to be functionally equivalent—as are the following conditions for the issuance of certificates)— and under the following circumstances:

21.(1) Where information upon oath is brought before a provincial judge that a person

(a) is suffering from mental disorder

(b) is in a condition presenting a danger to himself or others, and

(c) refuses to be examined by a therapist,

the judge may, if he is satisfied that

(c) the person should be examined in the interests of his own safety or the safety of others, and

(e) an examination can be arranged in no other way, issue an order to apprehend that person for an examination.

(2) An order under this section may be directed to all or any Peace Officers and shall name or otherwise describe the person with respect to whom the order has been made.

(3) Where a peace officer apprehends a person pursuant to a order under this section, the person shall be deemed to be a person in respect of whom a conveyance and examination certificate has been issued.

22. (1) Where a peace officer observes a person

(a) apparently suffering from a mental disorder,

(b) in a condition presenting a danger to himself or others, and

(c) acting in a manner that in a normal person would be disorderly, the peace officer may, if he is satisfied that

(d) the person should be examined in the interest of his own safety or the safety of others, and

(e) the circumstances are such that to proceed under Section 21 would be dangerous,

convey the person to a facility for an examination.

(2) A person conveyed to a facility pursuant to subsection (1) shall be deemed to be a person in respect of whom a conveyance and examination certificate has been issued." (MHA:8-9)

In short, the issuance of a conveyance and examination certificate and detention in a "facility" for twelve hours is equivalent to being

1. "in the opinion of" two therapists...no matter how unreliable or invalid those opinions...suffering from a mental disorder and/or
2. being in a condition dangerous to himself or others and/or
3. acting disorderly and/or
4. refusing to be examined by a therapist.

Notice that conditions 2, 3 and 4 are functionally equivalent to being mentally ill.

Treatment or Social Control?

Within the definition of Bill 83, might a public protest or demonstration be considered nonrational behaviour? Is the public, "disorderly" (at least so perceived) conduct of a native person to be considered sufficient grounds for incarceration as a mentally incompetent person who is a "danger to himself or others"? Is refusal to be examined by a psychiatrist sufficient grounds to detain a person twelve hours without counsel? Need such a refusal be considered a lack of reason, i.e. mental illness? Who are "normal" persons? How are we to define differences of behaviour that are a result of different cultural norms?

point political payoff

Robert Clark's charges (see story Page 3) should come as little surprise to those who followed the controversy at Grant MacEwan Community College. Not only were there complaints of "political manipulation" in the reluctant appointment of Barry Moore as chairman of the Board of Governors, there was specific mention of the appointment of F.T. Jenner as chairman to our Board of Governors.

Jenner, a member of the university senate from September of 1966 until June of 1971, was appointed during September to succeed John Bradley as chairman of the Board of Governors, a body which has final say on all financial matters at the university and which makes many of its decisions behind closed doors safe from the critical eye of the public and the press. What the official press releases don't tell you is that Jenner's son is the executive assistant to Jim Foster, the Conservative minister responsible for appointments.

I'm not suggesting that the "sins" of the son should be visited on the father. Indeed, I know nothing about Jenner's ability as an administrator nor about his record of service on the senate.

But I am suggesting that Foster is not very clever if he thinks that such a blatantly political appointment— such an open attempt to keep a position of influence "in the family" would go unnoticed and uncriticized.

We must ask that Foster reconsider this decision as he did the one at Grant MacEwan. We should insist that government appointments at the University be made on the basis of merit rather than on political persuasion.

Write him a letter telling him that we need someone whose first commitments are to the University and not to the government.

Better yet, COME TO THE MEETING OF THE BOARD THIS FRIDAY AT 9A.M. There's only room for three members of the public in the room where the meeting is being held, but we can make our presence felt even if we stay in the lobby.

Candace Savage

Counsel for Council

As this is being written, Students' Council has not even met, has not gone into closed session, and has not voted on whether or not Gerald Riskin will continue to have their confidence.

If I could talk to them now, I would counsel that they think very carefully about the implications their move will have for the future of the Students' Union, and for their own integrity.

Last year the SU was forced to cut back on a number of popular programmes and services because of the money squeeze; this year, with enrollments declining, the situation is not likely to be better.

Even to maintain the present level of services, Council may be forced to go to students for a fee increase, and if they do, we students are going to ask some probing questions about how our money this year has been spent.

We're going to look at the money spent on executive assistants, on gold embossed stationery, on personality posters, on finding parking spaces for law students; at all of the frivolities of office which Riskin has indulged himself in, despite the budgetary problems of the student union.

We're going to look at the mounds of Riskin's press Releases about such trivialities as the Famous Players "Boycott," and his objection to Bobby Hull's exclusion from Team Canada, and we're going to ask where he was at the last GFC meeting, why he wasn't there representing us at the latest meeting of the University Health Service Committee.

We're going to ask, as one student has done in today's letters (see this page), why members of the executives aren't allowed to do the jobs that they're constitutionally responsible for without interference from the office of "The President".

The questions we ask will challenge the future of the Students' union, the one voice undergraduate students have on this campus to voice their concerns collectively. Students are going to say "why should I pay \$3 extra next year for some budding bureaucrat to get his kicks?" or perhaps we'll ask more profound questions, and say "why should I pay SU fees at all?"

I would also tell members of the council that unless they dissociate themselves from these actions, if they do not take steps to insure that they are not repeated, we will hold them as responsible as we do Riskin for the consequent loss of confidence in the Students' Union to represent us responsibly.

Terri Jackson

Letters to the editor on any topic are welcome, but they must be signed. Keep them short (about 200 words) unless you wish to make a complex argument. Letters should not exceed 800 words.

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music

'melodies of wonder'

bruce cockburn

Cockburn walked on to the stage, unannounced. After sitting down, waiting for the applause to stop, and settling his guitar on his knee, he began to play. For the next two hours he played for us as he would play for himself, honestly and without pretention.

Not only is he a great writer (his songs having captured a poetic quality) but his performing ability is exceptional; he plays guitar, piano, mandolin and dulcimer.

Perhaps the best way to describe what went on last

Wednesday evening at the Jubilee Auditorium, would be to relate a few specific incidents: Halfway through a quiet optimistic song about birth and renewal ('Spring Song'), a baby began to cry. The sound seemed to generate a stronger awareness of the eternal nature of life. Later in the concert, Cockburn described the process of guitar tuning. He explained that it transcended simple mechanics and described the tuning pegs as antennae receiving the 'vibrations, the flow of the universe'. After the audience had a little laugh about this, he said

solemnly that he thought it was 'very far out'.

Of course he played all of our favorite Cockburn songs: 'Goin' Down Slow', 'Today I Walk', etc. As well, he sang several new, unrecorded songs, including two funny-sad pieces 'When the Sun Goes Nova' and 'The Blues Got the World by the Balls'. Cockburn described the first as an 'apocalyptic love song' and the second, well it speaks for itself.

I left the auditorium in a wonderful frame of mind. Thank you Bruce Cockburn.

T. Taylor

cool reception for jablonski



Contrary to my expectations, Marek Jablonski's performance of Chopin's Piano Concerto No.1 at last Friday night's opening concert of the Edmonton Symphony Society did not turn out to be for me the high point of the concert. It was, as the high society ladies in the foyer at intermission pointed out, 'flawlessly performed and brilliantly interpreted' with an 'enviable technique' but I must confess that Chopin, even played well, simply does not speak to me. I suspect that the Chopin was chosen as a technical showpiece rather than for its popularity. I was apparently not the only philistine present however for Jablonski did not receive a standing ovation, which I am sure he would have if he had played for example, Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No.1.

Nor was Elgar's Introduction and Allegro for String Orchestra very exciting. It was played with gusto if not perfection but it left me feeling dissatisfied. The entire piece was a cacophony interspersed with promising but brief plateaus of contemplative melody, as if Elgar was searching for a tune he could not quite remember and which unfortunately he never found.

The crowd pleaser on the program was Beethoven's

Pastoral Symphony, played with the energy and observance of dynamics that it requires. It's always a bold undertaking for an orchestra to perform a work that is well known since mistakes and imperfections will be easily recognized, but the Edmonton Symphony performed excellently on the whole with only a few of the usual French horn mistakes.

Happily, the Edmonton Symphony has more such popular works for up-coming concerts, works such as Handel's Royal Water Music, Beethoven's Leonore Overture, and Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No.1. Happily also, Lawrence Leonard will continue to animate the performances with his energetic conducting. If any other conductor tried to match the profusely elegant and appropriately dignified style of Leonard, he would only succeed in appearing as if his belt were broken and he was trying to hold his pants up with his stomach.

I think that it is important for the Edmonton Symphony to appeal to a wider audience for financial reasons if not for any others. If the symphony is to surmount it's present financial problems, if it is to justify the expense of large federal grants and private donations, then it must do more than satisfy the elitist desire to

"keep culture alive", it must be more than a frivolous luxury for Edmonton's rich, it must provide valuable entertainment for more Edmontonians.

The choice of very popular music for this year's program was a wise step in this direction but an appeal to popular taste may be made elsewhere as well. If live symphony is going to provide something that the flick of a stereo set switch cannot, it must make a visual as well as an auditory appeal. The Edmonton Symphony could vastly improve their visual performance by such obvious changes as introducing a backdrop that doesn't look makeshift, by introducing coloured dress for the musicians instead of the customary black and white, and by varying the intensity and colour of stage lighting. As an experiment, a modest "light show" might even be tried with an appropriate piece of music. I hope that it is not iconoclastic to suggest that works such as Beethoven's Pastoral symphony, which are obvious tone poems, might benefit by the presentation of some visually related material. Why not for example, at least dim the house lights when the thunderstorm breaks in the fourth movement of the Pastoral?

Arthur Savage

films

junior bonner

Sam Peckinpah's JUNIOR BONNER is perhaps his finest, certainly his most human and humane, cinematic elegy for a way of life nearly lost forever in today's America. Unlike Peckinpah's recent STRAW DOGS, which hit you like a fist full of quarters, and which, for all its cinematic excellence, left a very bad taste because the values it espoused so ardently emerged in their violence as extremely dangerous to any humane culture, JR. BONNER, although it does promote many of the same values, especially an old-fashioned, and what would now be called sexist, view of men and women, does so in a context of elegaic humour which continually wins the audience to the side of the characters which uphold the old, lost ways, despite (or maybe precisely because of) the fact that they will lose, will finally be wiped out by the new, plastic culture that is replacing them with mobile homes where ranches once existed. Thus we side with Ace Bonner (beautifully played by Robert Preston) and Jr. Bonner against the other son, Curly, who is on his way to his first million while Jr. is still trying for 8 seconds.

There are some superb moments of pure cinema in this film: Peckinpah is one of the better directors around and he knows how to shape a scene till it nearly lifts you out of your seat. The early scene of the destruction of the old Bonner ranch house is one such scene; an incredibly visceral rendering of technology as inhuman destruction of things human. There are other, interpersonal scenes, such as a wonderfully tense dinner with Jr., his mother, Curly, his wife, and their children or the final scene between Ace and his wife, that are genuinely moving, and beautifully played.

Finally there is the fact that though JR. BONNER is an elegy, it is not really sad. There's too much life in Jr. and the others like him for them to go out easily; rather they obey Dylan Thomas' dictum, and, in their own fashion, 'Rage, rage, against the dying of' their own particular 'light'. As a result, we emerge from this film filled with a sense of human accomplishment and personal freedom, rather than a sense of irreparable loss. The knowledge of loss is there, all right, to be

thought about later, but the basic impression is of man's refusal to give up what he most desires, even when it's being taken away from him, bit by bloody bit. A very fine movie. D. Barbour

poets

poets galore!

Unknown poets! Come and view your potential colleagues. From October 6 through 8, Edmonton will be hosting the third general meeting of the League of Poets. This league was established in 1968 with the major intent of providing writing contacts between Canadian poets. Also, through this organization, writers are able to make their view known to both the government and the public.

The fact that the meeting will be held in the West is a move toward making the league representative of all of Canada, rather than being centred around Ontario, as it has in the past. The next meeting will be held in Fredericton, N.B.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, a series of symposiums will be featured in TLB-I. At 9:30 a.m., Chris Levenson will be speaking on 'The Poet in the Changing World'. at 2:00 p.m., Glen Siebrasse and Victor Coleman will introduce the topic of 'Independent Publishing in Canada', and to complete the series, Gerald Lampert will discuss the 'League Poetry Readings'.

The poetry readings will certainly be one of the highlights of the gathering. Some poets to watch for: (Saturday, 8 p.m. TLB-I) F. R. Scott, Stephen Scobie, Ralph Gustafson, P. K. Page, Robert Gibbs, et. al.; (Sunday, 2:30 p.m. TLB-I) Miriam Waddington, Douglas Barbour, Michael Ondaatje, Elizabeth Brewster, Peter Stevens, et. al.; (Sunday, 7 p.m. TLB-I) Earle Birney, bill bissett, Lionel Kearns, Sharon Stevenson, Stephanie Nynych et. al.

The events are open to the public, especially the readings; the proceedings are being sponsored by the Canada Council.

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game-plan sinks Bisons

Though most football contests are won on the field, some games are decided behind closed doors; where coaches scrutinize the opposition on small movie screens.

Jim Donlevy and his assistants squinted for hours at the Manitoba Bisons on film and they devised a sound game plan. So the Bears were tactically ready, as well as being physically and mentally-Donlevy called it "a quiet confidence"- ready for the Bisons.

The result: A resounding 38-16 win over the league leading squad from Winnipeg before about 4,000 people at Varsity stadium.

The loss ruined Gary Naylor's homecoming along with the Bisons' perfect 3-0 record and dropped them into a second-place tie with the University of Calgary Dinosaurs, who captured their third victory of the season Saturday in McMahon stadium, a 31-11 drubbing of the Saskatchewan Huskies. Bears will meet the Huskies in Saskatoon on Saturday.

Some of the tidbits the Bears' coaching staff picked up:

Item one: Bison kickers take an abnormal amount of time to punt the ball. The result: Bears send their commandos in thick and fast, and speedy Brian Fryer blocked a Dave Parkes' kick with one hand, grabbed the ball with the other hand and barrelled into the end zone from 14 yards out to tally the Bears' first score. Dale Schula ran in a two-point conversion and ten minutes into the ballgame, Bears were ahead 8-3.

Then in the third quarter, Andy McLeod also batted a kick down to set up the Alberta squad's final touchdown, a one-yard sneak by quarterback Larry Tibble. By this time, the Bisons were down 32-10.

Item two: It was evident that Manitoba's defensive backs were used to playing loose, and were susceptible to the pass, in particular short curl-in and square-out patterns.

The result: Bears amass 239 yards passing on 14 completions and, if there hadn't been a few dropped balls and

overthrown tosses, they could have easily totaled more.

"We scored on almost everything that we prepared for," remarked an exhausted coach Donlevy.

One thing the Bears hadn't counted on was the absence of quarterback Bud Harden. A rib injury to Harden forced coach Naylor to replace him with Jamie Horne. Horne had a miserable game, throwing six interceptions and being thrown for over 60 yards in losses. Bears forced the Bisons to revert from their strong suit, their running attack, early in the game. Horne attempted 38 passes, probably more than they have thrown in three previous games this season.

Defenders of the 28-man travelling rosters for western intercollegiate football clubs would have shuddered to see Horne on the suicide squad, having to tackle kick returners.

After the opening kick-off, Horne stayed along the ground to set up a 31-yard field goal by Parkes. For the remainder of the game, the linebacking trio of Dave Wray, Andy McLeod and Harv Clendenning gave Horne fits, causing numerous hurried throws when they didn't tackle him to begin with.

Following Fryer's blocked kick, a long touchdown pass from Tibble to Roy Beechey was wiped out by a clipping penalty called on Gary Weisbrot. But three plays later, Dalton Smarsh burst through the middle for a 25-yard score.

Horne drove the Bears into enemy territory later in the second quarter but then threw an interception to Dave Kates, who cutting in front of Bob Toogood, returned the ball 25 yards. Kates, Roger Comartin, Lyle Watson, Doug Louch and Jack Schwartzberg also picked off Horne passes.

Schwartzberg added an 18-yard field goal before a 14-yard pass from Horne to Henry Lodewyks made the score 18-10 for the Bears at the half. Lodewyks pushed off of Louch and was wide open.

Bears took command of the game in the third quarter, as Vance Curtis and Tibble connected on a 42-yard touchdown that was followed by McLeod's blocked kick and Tibble's one-yard touchdown.



photo by Chuck Lyall

Andy McLeod (30) blocks Dave Parkes' punt to set up Bears' final touchdown

A 20-yard field goal and a single by Schwartzberg and a safety touch rounded out the Bears' scoring. A Gerald Kunyk interception cost the Bears a touchdown with but four minutes left in the ballgame. Kunyk elected to throw the ball rather than eating it, firing it over his intended receiver's head into the waiting arms of Lee Benard, who rambled into the endzone. However, the two-point conversion attempt was missed.

Between Tibble, who called his plays extremely well, and Kunyk, they completed 14 of 22 throws, their favorite target being Roy Beechey, who nabbed six for 101 yards.

Donlevy only wished his team had scored more points. "We should have been thirty points ahead. It will be hard to fight for more down in Winnipeg in 19 feet of snow this November. We've got to handle Calgary two weeks from now."

team's play concerns Robbins

The University of Alberta Golden Bear soccer team emerged from this weekend's play with a convincing win, a tie and a disgruntled coach, named Stu Robbins.

Steve Odumah scored three goals to lead the Bears in a 7-2 drubbing of the University of Calgary Dinosaurs Saturday, with Ike MacKay, John Devlin, Peter Chui and Joss Binns counting the other markers.

Then on Sunday, Devlin potted another score as the Bears started strongly but had to settle for a 1-1 tie with the University of Saskatchewan Huskies. Both games were played on the field south of the swimming pool.

Robbins wasn't enthused about his team's performance in the two matches. "If we are going to win the Intercollegiate Championships

we cannot afford to give away cheap goals nor miss scoring opportunities. We need 150 per cent effort for 90 minutes each game."

Robbins said the three goals given up by the Bears were soft ones and "we'll have to tighten up and learn to remain cool in our next two games in Saskatoon."

Huskies have already beaten University of Manitoba last year's western intercollegiate soccer champions, 2-1, but lost to the University of Winnipeg 1-0 on a penalty shot.

Meanwhile, the Bearcats experienced similar success with two Edmonton soccer clubs, tying Internomads 1-1 Saturday and edging the Bristol Knutes 2-1 Sunday on a second-half goal by Kamil Ghali. Ghali also tallied the Bearcats' only score in Saturday's game.

a busy weekend for Panda coach

same B.C. club in the tournament's final game on Sunday.

Shirley Haig and Gaylene Barry, with three and two goals respectively, potted the other Alberta markers. Alberta had clobbered an Edmonton women's club 12-0 to gain a berth in the final game.

It was a dismal showing for the Pandas as they scored only one goal by Leola Palfreyman in their opening win over Simon Fraser in four games. Sunday's 0-0 tie with a women's

team from Calgary was enough to send the Pandas into the semi-finals; but B.C.'s win prevented any further advancement.

A total of eight teams, including teams from the Universities of Calgary and Saskatchewan, participated in the tournament, a prelude to the Canadian Western Athletic Conference championships to be held here October 13-14. This weekend, the Pandas travel to Calgary for another invitational tournament.

footnotes

TUESDAY OCT 3

Registration for the Women's Programme Centre course "Talking about Women" is still open. Feel free to come even if you missed the first evenings. TL-11. 8:00 p.m. Please come early to register.

The FOLK MUSIC CLUB will meet at RATT, 8:00 p.m. This week a song swapping session or hootenanny will be featured. All singers or musicians are invited to perform 2 or 3 numbers. Everyone welcome! For more information phone Larry Saidman at 488-5565 or 432-5845. Campus Auto Rallyists will be meeting 7pm rm-104, SUB. Everybody welcome. Hopefully movies will be shown. Attend our rallye classes through Free University North and find out what its all about.

University Parish (Anglican, Presbyterian, United) "Table-Talk". Don't munch alone - try our cheap but sumptuous lunch. 12:30 in SUB Meditation Room.

Varsity Christian Fellowship, Dagwood Supper. Tory 14th, 5-7pm "Romans and Roman Culture paralleled to You and Yours". Guest Speaker: Stanley King.

The first meeting of the 1972-73 Boreal Circle series will be held at 8pm in the cafeteria(4th floor, centre wing), Biological Sciences Bldg, U of A. Speaker Dr. D.A. Gill. Topic: Natural and man-made disturbance of the northern environment - Some pros and cons. Meter parking at Windsor Car Park, enter from 116 st.

WEDNESDAY OCT 4

Christian Science Organization: Testimony meeting, 12:10 p.m., Meditation room, SUB. All students and staff welcome.

Students for Christian Perspectives will meet at 8:00 p.m. in the SUB meditation room.

The Edmonton Chamber Music Society presents the U of A String Quartet playing quartets by Mozart,

Beethoven, and Elizabeth Maconchy at 8:30pm in Convocation Hall. Admission is by season membership only, and season tickets for the six concert series are \$12 for adults, \$5 for full-time students and senior citizens, on sale at Canadiana Gifts, 10414 Jasper Ave or at ARTS 348 and SUB and at the door.

Thursday Oct. 5

The Campus Crusade for Christ will hold their regular meeting Oct. 5 in SUB room 270 at 7:00 p.m. Friends who like to know how to share your faith with others are welcome.

The U of A Forums committee will be presenting a forum at 3pm in Dinwoodie featuring (1 Mel Hurtig (LIB), (2 Marcel Lambert(CON) (3 Howard Leeson (NDP), (Martin Hattersley(SC). Come listen and question the parties involved on their political positions.

FRIDAY OCT 6

The Dept of Music is sponsoring a program of compositions by Violet

Archer, Professor of Music, at 8:30pm in Convocation Hall, Arts Bldg. Those taking part in the performance include Thomas Rolston, violin; Claude Kenneson, violoncello; Ernest Dalwood, clarinet; June Hunt, mezzo-contralto; and pianists Isobel Rolston, Ernesto Ljano and Albert Krywolt. No admission charge.

INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING, 8-10:30 p.m. Physical Education Building Room 11.

GENERAL FOOTNOTES

Volunteers. Student Help needs Help!!! Campus Hassles? Information Needs? Emotional Problems? Student Help tries to assist. To function properly we need volunteers. Anyone interested in participating in this vital campus agency come to rm 250SUB.

Luthern Student Movement: Vespers 9pm this Thursday and every Thursday at the Lutheran Student Centre, 11122-86 Ave. Inquire about the bible studies 439-5787.

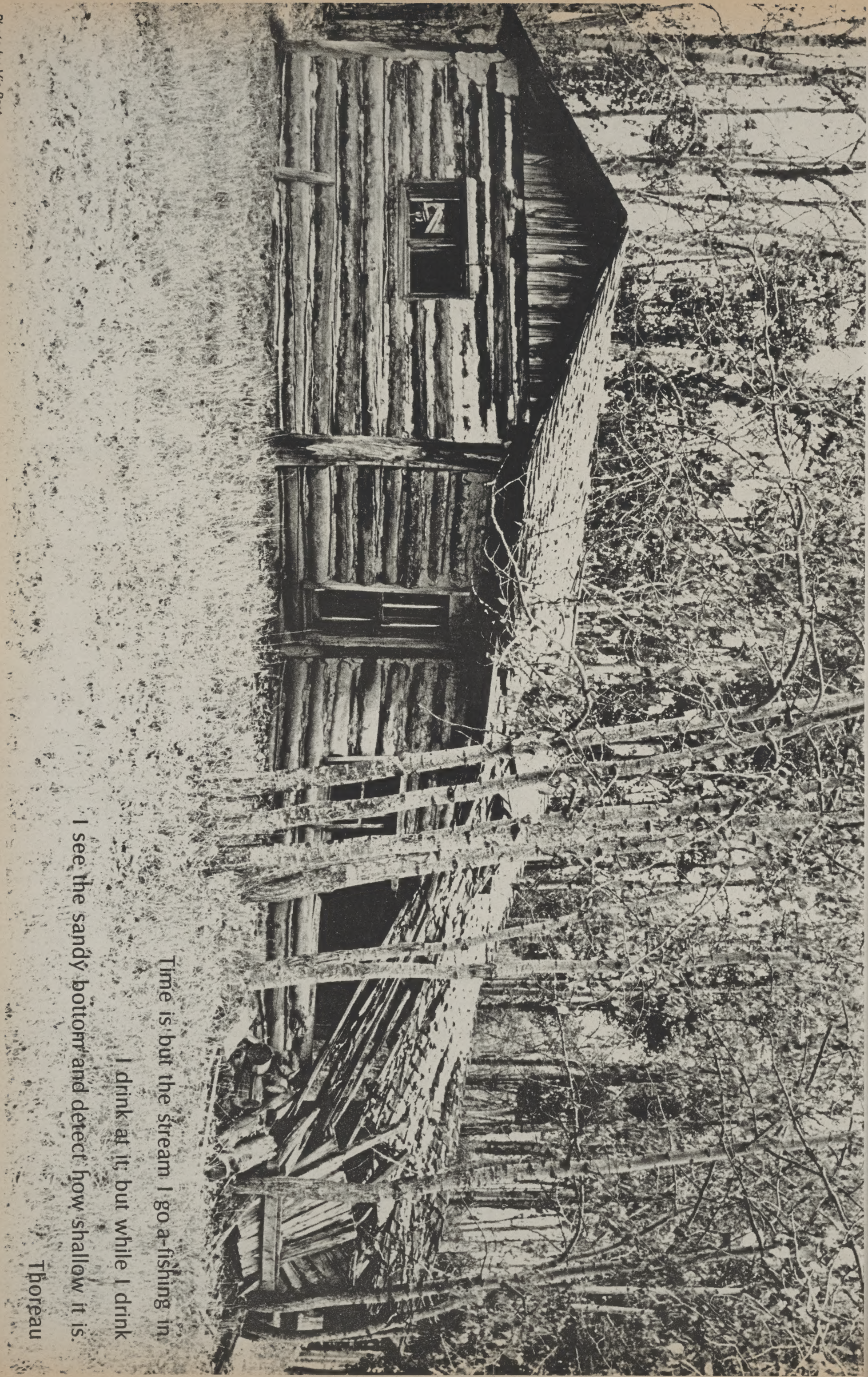
The St. Albert Day Care Centre located in the Elin Pentecostal Chapel, Ball Ave., St Albert, is now open. Applications and registrations are still being accepted. For further information call 599-8953.

The U of A Ski Club will hold their annual membership drive this week in SUB. All interested enquiries can be directed to the Ski Club booth across from the Information Desk, or to the Club's office in rm 230 of SUB. Phone 432-4093.

Join the Active set. U of A Scottish Country Dance Club meets every Tuesday in 243 CAB at 7:45pm. Lessons for beginners and advanced followed by dancing. Everyone welcome.

DEADLINES FOR FOOTNOTES

For Tuesday's issue all notices must be in by Friday and Thursday they must be in by Tuesday.



Time is but the stream I go a-fishing in.

I drink at it; but while I drink

I see the sandy bottom and detect how shallow it is.

Thoreau